

# MILWAUKEE COUNTY SENIOR DINING



MILWAUKEE LGBT COMMUNITY CENTER  
315 W. COURT STREET

FOR CURBSIDE PICK-UP

## MARCH



MKE LGBT  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
Be yourself

## DINNER PLANS?

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup>

*Country Ribs*  
*Macaroni & Cheese*  
*Stewed Tomatoes*  
*Crusty Bread*  
*Fruit Cocktail*

**WHO** Anyone 60, or Older  
**WHAT** Dinner Carry-Out 3:00 PM  
**WHEN** Every 4th Wednesday  
**WHERE** MKE LGBT Community Center  
**ADDRESS** 315 W. Court Street  
**COST** \$3.00 Suggested Contribution  
**RSVP** Call (414) 292-3060 by NOON  
Tuesday, March 22nd

## JOIN US!



MILWAUKEE COUNTY SENIOR DINING  
1220 W. VLIET STREET, SUITE 302 MILWAUKEE, WI 53205  
[COUNTY.MILWAUKEE.GOV/AGING/DININGMENUS](http://COUNTY.MILWAUKEE.GOV/AGING/DININGMENUS)



Suggested Contribution

**\$3.00**

60+



## Can Processed Food Be Healthy?



There are a lot of conflicting messages about what processed food is.

Most of the food we eat today has been processed in some way, from salad mix to frozen dinners. Some processed foods have ingredients added, some are fortified to add nutrients, some are prepared for convenience, and some are packaged to last longer or for food safety. Even foods labeled "natural" or "organic" can be processed.

More people are paying attention to processed food.

**74%** of consumers prefer less sodium in processed foods.

Almost **50%** of consumers have tried to eat fewer processed foods.



What do you need to know?



Minimally processed foods have been manipulated (cut, cooked, packaged) in some way.



Some foods are processed with ingredients typically used in cooking, such as salt or sugar.



Highly processed foods are manufactured with ingredients that are not typically used in cooking.

### 1 Choose healthier processed foods.

By one recent estimate **highly processed foods** contribute

**50%** of the calories & **90%** of added sugars in the American diet

It's important to:

- Read food labels.
- Look for the **Heart-Check mark** on packaged foods.
- Make healthier choices when eating out.



### 2 Seek healthier alternatives to highly processed foods.



Cook more meals at home.



Swap highly processed foods with less processed options.



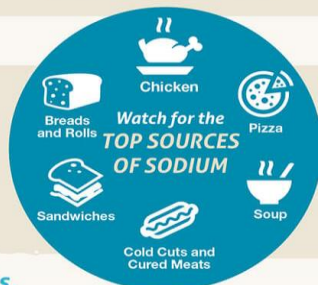
Try fruits and vegetables from the produce aisle, the farmer's market, or your own garden.

### 3 Watch out for sneaky sodium.

Extensive research has shown that too much sodium is related to high blood pressure, a primary risk factor for heart disease and stroke.

**Shake your sodium habit.**

Most of the sodium we eat comes from **PROCESSED, PREPACKAGED, AND RESTAURANT FOODS, NOT THE SALT SHAKER.**



### 4 Take your food into your own hands.



American Heart Association advocates have written **more than 29,000 letters to the food companies and restaurants** that provide processed foods, asking that healthier options be made available.

You can too! Join our growing community, take action, get helpful tips and #BreakUpWithSalt today by visiting [heart.org/sodium](http://heart.org/sodium).

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## NUTRITION & ORAL HEALTH: THE ROOT OF IT ALL

Registered dietitians at the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics recognize a link between mouth health and nutrition. Oral infectious diseases, as well as acute, chronic and terminal illnesses with oral symptoms can impact not only our ability to consume food properly, but also our health and nutrition status.

ORAL HEALTH ISSUES IN OLDER ADULTS (65+ YRS):

**1/3** HAVE UNTREATED DENTAL ISSUES

FOR MANY, AN ANNUAL DENTAL EXAM IS A LUXURY



\*TOP 10 STATES WITH THE HIGHEST % OF DENTAL VISITS:

**72%** on average have health insurance

\*BOTTOM 10 STATES WITH THE LOWEST % OF DENTAL VISITS:

**56%** on average have health insurance



ORAL HEALTH ISSUES IN CHILDREN (2-4 YRS):



### THE DON'TS FOR ORAL HEALTH

1. **DON'T** regularly sip on sugar-sweetened or carbonated drinks.
2. **DON'T** overly consume sticky foods or slow-dissolving candies.
3. **DON'T** frequently eat desserts or other sugary foods.

### THE DO'S FOR ORAL HEALTH

1. **DO** maintain a healthy diet of fruits and vegetables, lean protein, low-fat dairy products and whole grains that provide essential nutrients.
2. **DO** practice good oral hygiene (i.e., brushing your teeth with fluoridated toothpaste twice a day, drinking fluoridated water, and seeking regular oral health care).

ORAL HEALTH CARE & NUTRITION IS ABOUT EDUCATION  
But the collaboration between patients, dentists and registered dietitians can prevent and alleviate a lot of common dental problems – and offer better health to boot!

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Position of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics: "Oral Health and Nutrition" (May 2013). <http://www.eatright.org/files/Content/16/16-026-Gallup%20Wellbeing%20Residents%20in%20Mass%20Connecticut%20Look%20Action%20Dental%20Care.pdf>

\*Based on a 2011 Gallup study of more than 172,000 interviewees ages 18 and over who say they visited the dentist between January and June 2011.